# LOCAL GOVERNMENT AND COMMUNITIES COMMITTEE

Wednesday 12 December 2007

Session 3

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#### **Scottish Parliament**

10:01

Meeting continued in private until 12:44.

### Local Government and Communities Committee

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[THE CONVENER opened the meeting at 10:00]

#### Decision on Taking Business in Private

The Convener (Duncan McNeil): Good morning and welcome to the Local Government and Communities Committee. Item 1 is a proposal to take in private item 3 and all future items relating to our draft report on the budget 2008-09. Such items are usually taken in private. Do members agree to the proposal?

Members indicated agreement.

#### **Subordinate Legislation**

## Local Government Pension Scheme (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2007 (SSI 2007/514)

10:01

The Convener: Item 2 is consideration of a negative Scottish statutory instrument. The Subordinate Legislation Committee has not drawn the attention of the Parliament to the instrument on any of the grounds within its remit. No members have raised any points on the instrument and no motion to annul has been lodged. Do members agree that the committee has nothing to report on the instrument?

Members indicated agreement.

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